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SENT DEPARTMENT 2541, GENEVA 85; REPEATED INFORMATION BERLIN
867, LONDON 668, MOSCOW 307, PARIS 877.

FOR THE SECRETARY

PARIS PASS USCINCEUR, THURSTON, WEST, LIVE OAK.

REF: DEPTTEL 2738, MAY 12; EMBTEL 2516, MAY 6.

WHILE WE NOT PREPARED TO ACCEPT SUBSTITUTION GDR FOR SOVIETS
IN BASC, WE MUST KEEP IN MIND THAT PRESENT AIR ACCESS PROCEDURES
INVOLVE (1) PASSING FLIGHT PLANS TO SOVIETS TO NOTIFY
THEM OF FLIGHTS, (2) INITIALING AND RETURN OF PLANS BY
SOVIETS IN BASC, WHICH WE CONSIDER AS THEIR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
OF NOTICE, AND (3) SOVIET TELEPHONED NOTIFICATION TO THEIR
MILITARY HDQS, EAST BERLIN (KARLHORST) OF FLIGHTS, INFORMATION
WHICH PRESUMABLY PASSES TO APPROPRIATE SOVIET & GDR AIR
TRAFFIC CONTROL PERSONNEL. SOVIET WITHDRAWAL FROM BASC, COUPLED
WITH NON-ACCEPTANCE GDR, WOULD IMPLY NECESSITY OF PASSING
FLIGHT INFORMATION THROUGH SOME CHANNEL TO SOVIET ZONE AIR
TRAFFIC CONTROL PERSONNEL IF "EXISTING AIR PROCEDURES" TO BE
FOLLOWED. TRIPARTITE STUDY BEING GIVEN IN BONN AS TO HOW
THIS COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED. IN PRACTICE, IF SOVIET ZONE AUTHORITIES
WILLING ACCEPT INFORMATION, CHANNEL COULD EASILY BE ESTABLISHED.

ABOVE GIVEN AS BACKGROUND INFORMATION TO EMPHASIZE THIS PARTICULARLY
SIGNIFICANT TECHNICAL ASPECT OF "EXISTING AIR PROCEDURES."

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